



City of Concord

Weekly City Manager Newsletter

October 14, 2016

MAIN STREET PROJECT

Next week, crews will remove pavers and prepare for the installation of accent lighting (uplighting) at the North Main Street clock tower, at Dmitri's Tree (the metal sculpture at Eagle Square), and at the War Memorial at City Plaza. In addition, a concrete crew will arrive to complete a few final portions of the South Main and Theatre Street sidewalks.

The existing South Main Street work zone will remain in place and will be active until the project ends on November 10th, in order to allow Unitil, Fairpoint, Comcast, and private contractors to make service connections to buildings in a safe and efficient manner. Each major utility has more than 1,000 feet of cable to pull underground and splice together, and more than 1,000 feet of cable to remove from the existing utility poles. The 40-foot poles then have to be pulled out and hauled away. Maintaining the established and consistent work area will help these companies get their work done more quickly and efficiently, will provide a predictable traffic flow and parking environment for the public, and, most importantly, will help to achieve what was promised and what everyone wants - for the construction work to be done by Veteran's Day.

In other news, a 313 pound sculpture (pictured at right) has been installed at the corner of Pleasant Street in front of Live Juice. The sculpture was created by the late Beverly Benson Seamans of Marblehead, Massachusetts, and depicts a young boy holding a turtle. It is on lease to the City for a year.

Lastly, make sure to mark your calendar for the **Main Street Project Closing Ceremony**, which will be held at **4:00 PM on Thursday, November 10th**, at the intersection of Pleasant and Main Streets. A family-friendly reception, sponsored in part by the Duprey Companies, will follow at the Capitol Center for the Arts.



STRATEGIC PARKING PLAN WORKSHOP

On **Thursday, October 20th**, from **4:30—6:30 PM**, the Parking Committee will hold a Strategic Parking Plan Workshop in the 2nd Floor Conference Room at City Hall. Topics to be discussed include: State parking; a ticket policy for non-City governmental vehicles; parking encumbrance permit fees; an on-street valet ordinance; handicap parking time limits; withholding of vehicle registrations until parking tickets are paid; and a municipal surcharge fee on vehicle registrations for construction, operation, and maintenance of parking facilities. This workshop is open to the public; however, public testimony will not be accepted.

NEW ENGLAND WATER WORKS AWARD



Congratulations to Concord General Services' Deputy Director **Phil Bilodeau** for receiving the 2016 John H. Chafee Distinguished Public Servant Award from the New England Water Works Association! Phil received the award at the recent NEWWA annual conference in recognition of his long-term leadership, commitment, and advocacy for the environment and public health.

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GRAND OPENING Broken Ground Trails

Saturday October 22nd @ 10 am - noon

Please join the City of Concord Trails Subcommittee & friends to enjoy a guided hike on the new Broken Ground Trails.

Two hikes will be offered simultaneously - starting at 10 am:

- The **1.3 mile** pond loop is easy enough for **all levels** of experience (even first-timers!).
- More experienced hikers will enjoy the **moderate 2.3 mile** loop.

Meet at the Curtisville Road trailhead parking lot (approx. 1 mile past the Broken Ground School, beyond the power lines)

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